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SUBJECT: DEBRIEFING OF BELGIAN MISSIONARY RELEASED BY SHABA
INSURGENTS

FOREIGN MINISTRY'S ZAIRE DESK OFFICER (JAENEN) TOLD US OF HIS
DEBRIEFING OF ONE OF TWO BELGIAN MISSIONARIES RECENTLY RE-
TURNED AFTER HAVING BEEN HELD PRISONER BY FLNC FORCES INVADING
SHABA. JAENEN FOUND FOLLOWING POINTS MADE BY MISSIONARY TO BE
SIGNIFICANT:

-- TWO MISSIONARIES, CAPTURED AT DILOLO AND MUTSHATSHA IN EARLY
DAYS OF INSURGENCY, WERE PUT WITH FAZ PRISONERS AND TAKEN INTO
ANGOLA. THEY WERE WELL-TREATED, NOT BEATEN.

-- THEY WERE MOVED PERIODICALLY, HAVING BEEN HELD IN TEIXEIRA
DE SOUSA, HENRIQUE DE CARVALHO, ALTO CHICAPA (WHICH MISSIONARY
CALLED HEADQUARTERS AND WHICH HE SAID HELD INSURGENTS' RADIO
STATION), AND VILA LUSO.

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-- MISSIONARY SAW NO CUBANS AMONG SHABA INVADERS NOR IN ABOVE
ANGOLAN TOWNS NEAR BORDER. FIRST CUBANS SIGHTED WERE IN VILA
LUSO, AND THERE WERE "MANY" THERE.

-- DILOLO-VILA LUSO SECTION OF BENGUELA RAILROAD IS OPEN AND IS
USED BY INSURGENTS. AFTER VILA LUSO, RAILROAD IS IN UNITA
TERRITORY AND, THEREFORE, TRAVEL TO BENGUELA IS NOT POSSIBLE.

-- MISSIONARY SAID THAT MANY OF INVADERS WERE NOT OF LUNDA-TSHOKWE TRIBE AND SPOKE PORTUGUESE RATHER THAN SWAHILI.

-- INITIAL INVADERS CROSSED BORDER IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES AND THEN FIRED THEIR WEAPONS IN THE AIR; FAZ ELEMENTS FLED.

-- INVADERS RECRUITED YOUNG PEOPLE IN OCCUPIED AREAS OF SHABA, TAKING THEM TO CAMPS IN ANGOLA FOR TRAINING. RENNER

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